IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
v.))	CR. NO. 2:06cr262-MHT
RAUL ANDRADE-CHACON)	

PLEA AGREEMENT

DEFENSE COUNSEL:

CHRISTINE FREEMAN

ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY:

ANDREW O. SCHIFF

COUNT AND STATUTE CHARGED:

Count 1

8 U.S.C. § 1326(a)

Illegal Re-entry

Count 2

18 U.S.C. § 1028(a)(6)

Possession of Unauthorized Social Security Card

Count 3

18 U.S.C. § 1546(a)

Possession of Counterfeit Alien Registration Card

Counts 4 and 5

18 U.S.C. § 1546(b)

Use of False Alien Registration Card

COUNT PLEADING PURSUANT TO PLEA AGREEMENT:

Count 2

18 U.S.C. § 1028(a)(6)

PENALTIES BY COUNT – MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Count 2

18 U.S.C. § 1028(a)(6)/(b)(2):

NMT 5Y or

NMT \$250,000 or both; NMT 3Y SUP REL;

\$100 AF; VWPA.

ELEMENTS OF THE OFFENSE:

Count 2 <u>18 U.S.C. §§ 1028(a)(6) & 1028(b)(2)(A)</u>

- 1. The defendant knowingly possessed an identification document that appears to be a document issued by or under the authority of the United States.
- 2. The defendant used the identification document.
- 3. The identification document was produced without lawful authority.
- 4. The defendant knew the document was produced without lawful authority.

Andrew O. Schiff, Assistant United States Attorney, and Christine Freeman, attorney for the defendant, pursuant to Rule 11(c)(1)(A) and 11(c)(1)(C), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, as Amended, have, with the authorization of the undersigned defendant, heretofore entered into discussions with a view towards reaching a pretrial conclusion of the charges pending in the Indictment herein and a Plea Agreement has been reached by said parties. The plea is being submitted to the Court pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11(c)(1)(A) and 11(c)(1)(C), and the parties understand that, if the terms of the Plea Agreement are not accepted by the Court, the defendant will be allowed to withdraw the defendant's plea of guilty and proceed to trial. If the Court accepts this agreement, however, and defendant thereafter breaches this agreement, his guilty plea may not be withdrawn.

GOVERNMENT'S PROVISIONS

- 1. Upon entering a plea of guilty by the defendant to a felony violation of the offense charged in Count 2 of the Indictment, the attorney for the Government will do the following:
- a. The Government will agree that a 2-level reduction in the applicable offense level pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 3E1.1(a) for the defendant's acceptance of responsibility is appropriate,

so long as the defendant does not obstruct justice or otherwise fail to accept responsibility for the offense conduct.

- b. The Government agrees that the appropriate sentence in this case is a term of imprisonment equal to the amount of time defendant will have been in federal custody as of the date of sentencing ("time served"), if such a sentence falls within the advisory Guideline Range applicable to defendant.
- c. If the advisory Guideline Range calls for a sentence of greater than time served, then the Government agrees that (i) the maximum term of imprisonment is the minimum amount of incarceration provided by the Guideline Range applicable to defendant, and (ii) the defendant may argue, subject to the Government's right to oppose, for a downward departure or variance to a sentence of time served.
- At sentencing, the Government will move to dismiss Counts 1, 3, and 4, of the d. Indictment.
- 2. The Government reserves the right to inform the Court and the Probation Office of all facts pertinent to the sentencing process, including all relevant information concerning the offenses and the defendant's background.

DEFENDANT'S PROVISIONS

- 3. The defendant agrees to plead guilty to a felony violation of Count 2 of the Indictment.
- 4. The defendant agrees with the sentencing provisions set forth in paragraph 1 of the Government's provisions.
 - 5. The defendant agrees not commit any State, local or federal offenses.

FACTUAL BASIS

On September 13, 2006, defendant had in his possession two documents purporting to be social security cards in the name of Raul Andrade-Chacon, each bearing a different social security number. Andrade-Chacon has never had a valid social security number issued to him by the United States Government. Andrade-Chacon knew that the documents were not produced under the lawful authority of the United States. Andrade-Chacon had previously used one of the social security cards to obtain employment at (a) Slawson Manufacturing, Louisville, Alabama, (b) Riverside Turf Farm, Shorterville, Alabama, and (c) Henderson, Black & Greene, Troy, Alabama.

DEFENDANT WAIVES APPEAL AND COLLATERAL ATTACK

Understanding that 18 U.S.C. § 3742 provides for appeal by a defendant of the sentence under certain circumstances, the defendant expressly waives any and all rights conferred by 18 U.S.C. § 3742 to appeal the sentence. Defendant further expressly waives the right to appeal the sentence on any other ground and waives the right to attack the sentence in any post-conviction proceeding.

The Government does not waive its right to appeal any order dismissing the Indictment, vacating a sentence, or otherwise terminating the prosecution at any stage of the proceedings. Further, the parties agree that nothing in this agreement shall affect the Government's right and/or duty to appeal as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3742(b). However, if the Government appeals, the defendant may appeal or bring a post-conviction proceeding, on any ground.

DEFENDANT'S UNDERSTANDING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

6. The defendant, before entering a plea of guilty to Count **2** of the Indictment as provided for herein by said Plea Agreement, advises the Court that:

- The discussions between the attorney for the government and the attorney for a. the defendant towards reaching an agreed plea in this case have taken place with the defendant's authorization and consent.
- Defendant acknowledges that a breach of this federal plea agreement will not b. entitle him to withdraw his guilty plea in this case. Defendant understands and acknowledges that defendant's guilty plea will remain in full force and effect upon any breach of this agreement by the defendant.
- The defendant further understands that, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3013, said c. \$100.00 assessment fee is to be paid by the defendant on the date of sentencing. The defendant will make an honest, good faith effort to pay said fee as directed by the Financial Litigation Section of the United States Attorney's Office. The defendant further understands that by completing the financial statement, the defendant is representing that it is true and accurate to the best of the defendant's information, knowledge, and belief.
- d. The defendant understands that the defendant has a right to be represented by an attorney at every stage of the proceedings against the defendant herein and is represented by the defendant's undersigned attorney.
- e. The defendant understands that the defendant has the right to plead not guilty and has the right to be tried by a jury and, at a trial thereof, has the right to the assistance of counsel. the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses against the defendant, the right to call witnesses in the defendant's own behalf, and the right not to be compelled to incriminate the defendant, and that if the defendant enters a plea of guilty herein, there will not be a further trial of any kind and that

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by the entry of such a plea, the defendant waives the right to a trial by jury or to a trial before the Court.

- f. The defendant further understands that in entering a plea of guilty herein, the Court may ask questions about the offense to which the plea is entered and further understands that if the defendant answers these questions under oath, on the record, and in the presence of counsel, which questions and answers would be recorded, that the answers may later be used against the defendant in a prosecution for perjury or false statement if the answers are not truthful.
- g. The Defendant further understands and advises the Court that the Plea Agreement as set forth herein and the plea to be entered by the defendant as a result thereof is voluntary on the defendant's part and is not the result of any force or threats or of any promises apart from the aforesaid Plea Agreement. The defendant further advises the Court that the Plea Agreement set forth herein is the result of prior discussions between the attorney for the government and the attorney for the defendant, all conducted with the defendant's authorization, knowledge, and consent.
- The defendant further advises the Court that the defendant's understanding h. of this Plea Agreement is as set forth in this document.
- i. The defendant further advises the Court that it is understood that the government can only make a recommendation which is not binding on the Court, but if the sentence imposed by the Court is more severe than the maximum sentence permitted by the plea agreement, the defendant will have the right to withdraw his plea.
- The defendant further advises the Court that the defendant understands and j. has been advised that evidence of a plea of guilty, later withdrawn or an offer to plead guilty to the crime charged in the Indictment herein, or of statements made in connection with and relevant to said

plea or offer to plead, shall not be admissible in any civil or criminal proceedings against the defendant. However, the defendant does understand that evidence of a statement made in connection with and relevant to a plea of guilty, later withdrawn, or an offer to plead guilty to the crimes charged in the Indictment herein, is admissible in a criminal proceeding for perjury or false statement when the statement was made by the defendant under oath, on the court record, and in the presence of counsel.

- k. The defendant is satisfied that defense counsel has been competent and effective in representing defendant.
- 7. The undersigned attorneys for the government and for the defendant represent to the court that the foregoing Plea Agreement is the agreement of the parties that has been reached pursuant to the Plea Agreement procedure provided for in Rule 11, Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, as Amended. The attorney for the defendant further advises the Court that the defendant has been advised of the nature of the charge to which the foregoing described plea is to be offered. and that the defendant has been advised of the defendant's right to plead not guilty and to be tried by a jury on all issues herein; of the maximum possible penalty provided by law; that by the entering of a plea of guilty as aforesaid, the defendant waives the right to be tried by a jury or by the Court, waives the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses against the defendant and the right not to be compelled to incriminate the defendant; and that if the defendant pleads guilty, there will not be a further trial of any kind. Further, the defendant has been advised that if the defendant pleads guilty, the Court may ask questions about the offense to which the defendant has pleaded and that if the plea is rejected or later withdrawn, that the answers to such questions may not be used against the

defendant in a civil or criminal proceeding, but that the defendant's answers may later be used against the defendant in a prosecution for perjury or false statement if the answers are not truthful.

8. The defendant understands that the U.S. Probation Office will prepare a presentence investigation report for the Court. The Probation Officer will consider the defendant's conduct related to the offense to which the plea is offered, as well as the defendant's criminal history. The offense level or criminal history category, as calculated by the Probation Officer and determined by the court, may differ from that projected by defendant's counsel or the U.S. Attorney.

This 264 day of January, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

LEURA G. CANARY

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Andrew O. Schiff

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Deputy Chief, Criminal Division

I have read the foregoing Plea Agreement, understand the same, and the matters and facts set forth therein accurately and correctly state the representations that have been made to me and accurately set forth the conditions of the Plea Agreement that has been reached.

IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS TO WHICH I AGREE, I SWEAR UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FACTS IN THE "FACTUAL BASIS" PARAGRAPH ABOVE ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I AM SATISFIED THAT I HAVE RECEIVED COMPETENT ADVICE AND REPRESENTATION FROM MY DEFENSE COUNSEL, CHRISTINE FREEMAN.

RAUL ANDRADE CHACON
RAUL ANDRADE-CHACON/DEFENDANT

Christine Freeman **Attorney for Defendant**